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For: SMALL TECHNETIUM-99M AND RHENIUM
LABELED AGENTS AND METHODS FOR
IMAGING TISSUES, ORGANS AND
TUMORS

Examiner: L.W. Rider

RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

MS Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir/Madam:

Applicants are in receipt of the non-final Office Action dated November 24, 2009 (the "Office Action") and now submit this response. A request for an extension of time through and including March 24, 2010, is being filed herewith, and this response is timely filed.

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